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THE RIGHT TO WORK.

The coal strike began with the customary assurances on the part of the leaders that under no circumstances would any act of violence be officially countenanced, and that from first to last it would be conducted with scrupulous respect of the law. Nevertheless the stage of aggressive disorder has been reached, and deeds of indisputable lawlessness are becoming more frequent. In truth it may be doubted whether since the strike was declared a day has passed which has not been marked by violations of the law. The anthracite miners had a legal right to stop work if they chose to do so, and it is understood, furthermore, that they were free from the moral obligation of a promise like that which they are urging their friends in the bituminous field, with partial success, to break. But they were bound to refrain not merely from assaulting on men who wanted to continue or engage in the service of the companies. They were at liberty to use argument and persuasion, and perhaps entitled to credit for whatever success they gained by that method. But not for a single hour did they confine themselves to argument of persuasion. They resorted at once to intimidation, to slanderous vituperation, to manifold and ingenious acts of cruelty toward peaceable citizens, including women and children as special objects of their well-nigh unbearable affronts.

If such conduct as this were strictly within the letter of the law its consequences would inevitably be injurious to the interests which it is meant to serve. The American people, of whom the members of trade unions are a small fraction, detest meanness and cowardice, and because they clearly recognize the fact that such acts are mean and cowardly they withhold their sympathy from a cause whose representatives seek to promote it in that manner. Looked at, therefore, merely from the point of view of practical utility, this sort of coercion is the extreme of folly. But the question of advantage is not the chief question. It is the duty of the authorities to prevent violations of the law which do take the form of violence, and unless constant reports from the mines are deceitful that duty has been uniformly and flagrantly neglected hitherto. One

of the results of such neglect—neglect seemingly due to a false conception of personal rights or to timidity—is now seen in grosser but not more unlawful outbreaks of the spirit which has been declaring itself from the beginning; and if, as now seems not unlikely, armed forces should soon be called on to preserve the peace by grim measures those will be in no slight degree responsible who thus far have consented to illegal and outrageous abuses.

It ought not to be necessary for men to combine for the purpose of securing to themselves through the influence of numbers and cohesion the rights which the law guarantees to them as individuals. But if the constituted authorities, whether under the misapprehension or for political motives continue much longer to permit practices of the sort which this strike has continually witnessed we shall expect to see a powerful union formed in defense of the principle that a man has a right to work where and when he pleases for wages which he chooses to accept.—N. Y. Journal.

CANAL LESSON FROM SUEZ.

New York Tribune.

Last week's yearly report of the Suez Canal directors was an instructive document. It had a peculiar interest to those of us who remember the days before De Lesseps dug his mighty ditch, days which were filled with scorn and ridicule of that prospect, and with mathematical demonstrations of the impossibility of its ever being made to pay. The Suez Canal was reviled in advance almost as much as the Erie Canal was by the Tammany Hall foes of Clinton, and perhaps as much as the Nicaragua scheme has been by the special pleaders of transcontinental railroads. Even when Disraeli at Frederick Greenwood's suggestion, purchased from Great Britain the Khedive's shares, and incidentally gave Punch the theme of its famous "most in Egypt" cartoon there were many of who dolefully prophesied "no returns" from the investment. For now many years however, the success and the pecuniary profit of that canal have been amply established.

During the year they have been greater than ever before. The previous maximum was attained in 1899 when the canal was traversed by 2667 vessels, of 2,365,730 tons. Last year the number of ships was 2692 of 10,822,840 tons. The total receipts, chiefly, of course, from transit tolls, were \$20,624,290 and working expenses were \$5,149,250. If to the latter we add the charges of the redemption and insurance funds, and those of the interest and redemption funds on bonds and stock, we have a total expenditure of \$8,049,335. That leaves the handsome surplus of \$12,575,015. With so favorable a showing, it is not surprising to learn that the directors have declared a net dividend of \$25 a share, which is larger by \$3.40 than any ever declared before. At the same time they have announced a reduction of tolls from \$1.80 to \$1.70, and they estimate confidently that with the increase of traffic, the receipts in 1903 at the reduced rate will be as great as they were in 1901 at the old rate. They also announce that hereafter whenever there is an increase of dividends, there will be a corresponding reduction of tolls. It may be added, by the way, that the British shares, for which Disraeli paid the Khedive \$20,000,000, are now worth \$195,000,000.

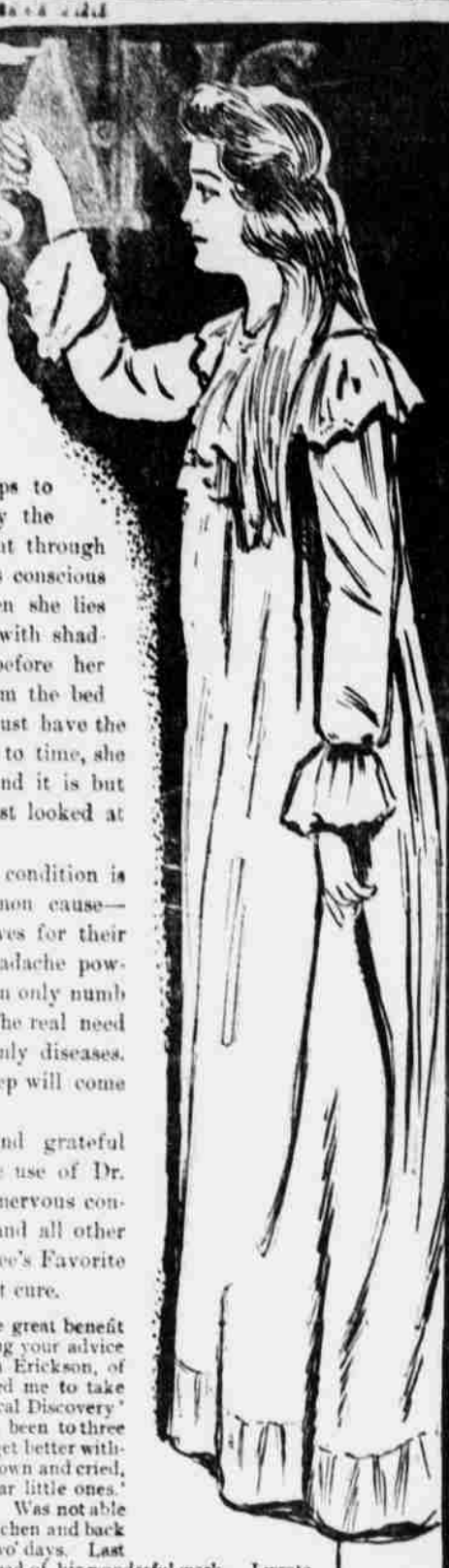
Now, "the bearing of this observation lays in the application on it." Suppose we should apply it, in the fashion of the Rules of Three, to our own much opposed and much derided isthmian canal enterprise? As the disparagement of the Suez Canal was, or is, to that of the American isthmian canal so is, or will be, the success of the former to that of the latter canal. Or as to the expectations concerning the one have been exceeded by its success, so will the expectations concerning the other be exceeded by its success. Any way you look at it, there is much encouragement for our isthmian canal.

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One of the remarkable features about such a condition is that so few women connect it with its common cause—womanly disease. They try all kinds of sedatives for their nerves. They take "sleeping powders" and headache powders and all sorts of drugs which at the best can only numb the nerves and stupefy the brain for a time. The real need of nervous, sleepless women is a cure of womanly diseases. Then with quieted nerves natural, refreshing sleep will come again.

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"It is with pleasure that I write to let you know the great benefit I have received from your medicines, and by following your advice regarding self-treatment at home," writes Mrs. Selma Erickson, of 496 Rice Street, St. Paul, Minn. "You kindly advised me to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pleasant Pellets.' When I first wrote you I had been to three different doctors, and two of them said I would never get better without going to the hospital for an operation. I just sat down and cried, and said, 'If I die, I will die at home with my two dear little ones.' I had a mishap in May last and was weak all summer. Was not able to do anything. If I would get up and walk to the kitchen and back I would have to lie in bed for a day or sometimes two days. Last August I picked up one of Dr. Pierce's pamphlets and read of his wonderful work. I wrote to him for information and received an answer within five days from the day I wrote, advising me to try his medicines. Now I have used six bottles of his 'Favorite Prescription' and six of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and the result is just wonderful. I did not tell the doctors what I was taking. I have not been to any physician since the day I received the first letter from Dr. Pierce, and I feel as good as I ever did before I had the mishap. I am so nervous I had to have some one by my side all the time, even in day-time, and I could hardly eat anything. I took treatment from a doctor twice a week, and every time I would go there I felt so sick, but since I quit all the doctors and began taking your medicine I gained right along. I have gained forty pounds within the last four months. I weighed 125 when I began taking your medicines (in August), and now I am up to my usual weight—165. I cannot thank you enough for your wonderful medicines, and I wish you every success in the treatment of other cases as you have had in mine. When I think what I suffered last summer it seems now like a dream, for to-day I am as well and feel as good as ever."

"My wife was sick for over eight years," writes Albert H. Fuite, Esq., of Altamont, Grundy Co., Tenn. "She had uterine disease and was treated by two physicians and got no relief. At last I read in one of your Memorandum Books which you sent me, about Dr. Pierce's medicines, and we decided to try his 'Favorite Prescription.' I sent to the drug store and got one bottle, and the first dose gave ease and sleep. She had not slept any for three nights. Being sure that it would cure her, I sent for five more bottles, and when she had taken the sixth bottle she was sound and well."

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